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SUBJ: MARKOVIC VISIT

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- 1. BORBA JULY 10 CARRIES FRONT PAGE NOTICE OF CALL BY MARKOVIC ON PRESIDENT TITO "ON THE OCCASION OF MARKOVIC'S DEPARTURE ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES." THIS PROVIDES FURTHER EVIDENCE OF THE VERY GREAT IMPORTANCE YUGOSLAVS ARE ATTACHING TO THIS VISIT. WE WOULD NOT BE SUPRISED, IN FACT, IF MARKOVIC ARRIVES IN WASHINGTON CARRYING A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM TITO TO PRESIDENT CARTER. IN LIGHT OF THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE DOUBT YUGOSLAVS WOULD NOW POSTPONE THE VISIT, EVEN IF BELOVSKI SHOULD BE SO RASH AS TO RECOMMEND IT.
- 2. WE ARE INDEED REASSURING THE YUGOSLAVS AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY HOW SERIOUSLY WE TOO REGARD MARKOVIC'S VISIT, AND THAT WE REMAIN CONFIDENT THAT THE VISIT WILL BE A SUCCESS.

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